

## Article - Education

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§12–303.

(a) (1) There is a University of Maryland, which is a strategic partnership between the following two distinct campuses within the University System of Maryland:

- (i) The University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus; and
- (ii) The University of Maryland, College Park Campus.

(2) The University of Maryland strategic partnership is a formal strategic alliance which leverages the resources of each campus within the University of Maryland to benefit the State and improve and enhance:

- (i) Academic programs and experiences for students;
- (ii) Research, technology, technology transfer, and commercialization for economic development; and
- (iii) Public service and the commitment to community development.

(3) The University of Maryland, unless otherwise provided in this title, is subject to the provisions of Division III of this article.

(4) The University of Maryland shall ensure that the rights, privileges, and agreements of its employees under Division I of the State Personnel and Pensions Article or under any higher education personnel rules or policies are not impaired or reduced.

(b) (1) In addition to the powers and duties established in this subtitle, the presidents shall have the powers and duties as provided in § 12–109 of this title.

(2) The president of each campus shall have the responsibility for that campus within the University of Maryland.

(c) (1) The presidents jointly shall develop and implement a plan that encourages and promotes alignment, cooperation, and collaboration between the College Park Campus and the Baltimore Campus.

(2) The plan shall:

(i) Identify all undergraduate and graduate academic and research programs that may benefit from alignment and collaboration between the campuses;

(ii) Identify competitor state peers for the University of Maryland to be used in the funding guidelines developed under §§ 10–203 and 11–105 of this article;

(iii) Promote effectiveness and efficiencies between the campuses, including potential savings in human resources, procurement, and information technology; and

(iv) Include any other information and implementation plans to achieve the purpose of the University of Maryland identified in this subtitle.

(d) (1) Professional schools or their administrative functions may not be relocated out of Baltimore City.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, there:

(i) Shall be collaboration with the professional schools located in Baltimore City; and

(ii) May be professional school courses offered at a location other than Baltimore City.

(e) (1) Nothing in the strategic partnership may be construed to prevent or restrict collaboration or coordination between the University of Maryland, other institutions, and entities including the University of Maryland Medical System.

(2) The presidents shall actively seek collaboration with other institutions and entities, particularly in the Baltimore metropolitan region, as appropriate, to benefit the State.

(f) The presidents shall report annually to the University System of Maryland Board of Regents and the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland regarding collaboration with the City of Baltimore, Prince George's County, and the City of College Park in the area of community development.

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